

Dear Esteemed Members of the Appropriations Committee, Please REJECT the proposed contracts before you today with SEBAC. A one size fits all vote for compensation for 46,000 state employees does not work. Please consider the short- and long-term impacts this will have on the average taxpayer and on the ever-growing State budget. If the cost estimate of 1.9 billion over the next 3 year is accurate, where will the State find the money to pay for these raises? That is an additional 633,000 million every year. The private sector is still not back to full employment and our pension liabilities (the most generous in the country) are still way underfunded. How can it be good policy to add this financial burden to the state budget? Are we truly afraid that state employees will quit? Does the private sector offer 10-month retroactive raises, bonuses and full pensions? No way. Thank you for your consideration, Tammy Langalis  
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